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Woodard et al.

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**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2)**

This petition is being filed in conjunction with an accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 and an enclosed Information Disclosure Statement (IDS).

The Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue. Applicants have identified prior art, listed in the accompanying IDS, that has not to date been considered by the Examiner.

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The required fee of \$920 (which includes fees for this petition and for the accompanying RCE) has been submitted with the attached credit card form. It is Applicants' understanding that the filing of the attached RCE resets the clock for purposes of the block to be checked and the fee to be paid for the IDS. Thus, Applicants believe that the amount stated on the attached credit card form covers all fees needed for this petition and attached documents. However, the Office is authorized to deduct any additional fees believed due from, or to credit any overpayment to, our deposit account No. 11-0223. We respectfully request that the Petitions Office telephone the undersigned if there are any issues preventing action on this petition.

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